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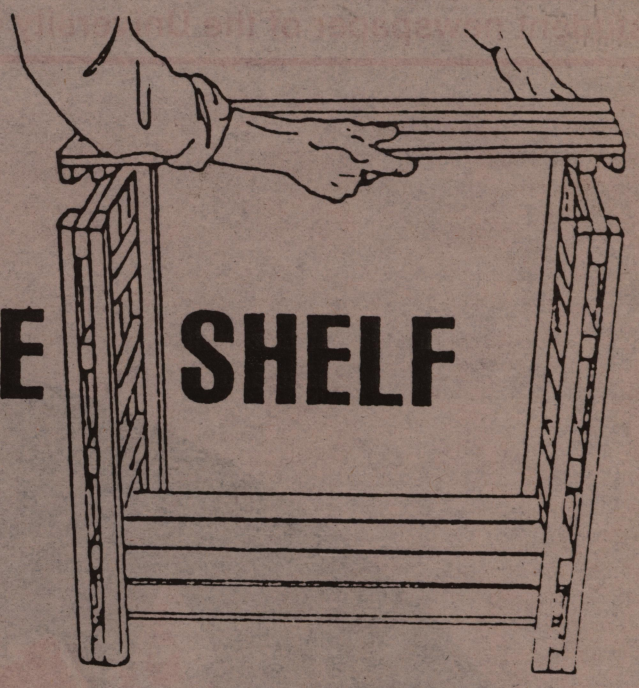

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# UVic forms poli sci external review

by Dave Clements

The president of the University of Victoria has appointed an external committee to review the environment for women in the political science department.

President David Strong's action follows a summer-long dispute between the administration, the tenured male faculty members, and the Chilly Climate Committee.

"Speaking at least for the men in the department, we've always welcomed any inquiry into the allegations of the Chilly Climate Committee," said Jeremy Wilson, political science department chair.

The committee was struck by the department in March 1992 and its preliminary report, released a year later, criticized the many barriers to women in the department and suggested improvements.

The response of the tenured males was to call for the withdrawal of the report, charging that its allegations of departmental sexism were damaging to their reputations.

The new-formed External Review Committee consists of former B.C. Supreme Court Justice Thomas Berger, and Dr. Beth Bilson, University of Saskatchewan law professor and Chair of the Saskatchewan Labour Relations Board.

"This pleases the tenured male establishment."

"They're probably the two best people in Canada to deal with this type of situation," said Strong.

The committee has until the end of November to report back to Strong, but will be given extra time if needed because "one has to allow for issues arising that one did not see," Strong said.

This pleases the tenured male establishment.

"The university has been able to attain the assistance of some respected people, people who are pretty well beyond reproach," said Wilson. "We hope they will help the department get back on the positive track it was on before these incidents."

However, not all parties are so easily impressed. The members of the Chilly Climate Committee have boycotted the proceedings, their key objection being that they were not able to help develop the terms of reference for the Committee.

"We were not given enough time to contribute," said Sylvia Bardon, a graduate representative on the Chilly Climate Committee.

Bardon was also disturbed that the male tenured professors were consulted for the terms of reference.

"You don't ask the people who the complaints are against to define what should be investigated," said Bardon.

Somer Brodribb, chair of the Chilly Climate Committee and the only faculty member on it, was out of town when the call for input into the terms of reference was made, Bardon added.

Janetta Ozard, Chair of the University of Victoria Students' Society, expressed dismay over the formation of the committee.

"I disagree with it partly on the basis that they did not consult the women.

"As a person who is responsible for appointing students to university committees, it's hard to continue doing it in good conscience," said Ozard.

The report of this external review will not be the first inquiry since the findings of the Chilly Climate Committee.

Strong's actions come months after the release of the Pirie-Callahan Report, an internal review written by UVic professors Andrew Pirie and Marilyn Callahan.

This report pleased none of the parties concerned. Wilson called the report "wrong-headed and unfair," while Strong tempered his comments, calling the review "inadequate to address the full range of issues."

Bardon said "We never were given a chance to respond because they [the male professors] had already rejected it - but there were some things in it that we wanted.

"We were told that because the men didn't like it, it didn't matter what we think."

Bardon called for the president to divorce himself from the stance of the tenured faculty and expressed concern that the position of the male faculty is being equated with the position of the administration.

"If you [administration] don't want to be associated with them [male faculty], if you are not taking their position, clearly let us know that," said Bardon.

"We would like him [Strong] to make a public statement that although they used university equipment and letter heads, this does not indicate that they [administration] are on the side of the men."❑

"We were told that because the men didn't like it, it didn't matter what we think."

# UVSS loses day care to administration

by Cameron St. John

After nearly 24 years as a student managed day care, University of Victoria day care will now be managed by UVic administration instead of the students' society.

The Board of Directors of the UVSS voted unanimously to hand over the daycare to UVic administration at their June 14 meeting.

"A reversal of their previous decision."

This was a reversal of their previous decision to keep the day care under students' society control (May 31).

But a massive protest by the parents who presently use the day care and the Day Care Management Board forced the BoD to reconsider.

A meeting between the BoD and the DMB on June 11 was a bitter gathering with doubts being raised about the BoD's ability to adequately finance day care, and its committment to quality care for the children of students.

After two weeks of negotiations, the facility was transferred with the 15-2 ratification of the parents, and the unanimous ratification of the UVSS Board.

UVSS chair Janetta Ozard, who promised in her election campaign to fight to keep day care under the dominion of the UVSS, voted in favour of transferring.

She stressed that she would vote for the transfer only if the University would guarantee the same accessible fees and good quality the UVSS has ensured.

UVSS director of finance Meghan Thompson had also expressed concern that "The University never proposed anything that would explicitly state that the day care fees would not become exorbitantly high."

Day Care Management Board member Laurel Villa, said she

"Mainland day care has always been more expensive."

"didn't see how [Thompson] could expect the University to guarantee fee increases that are not exorbitant." Villa felt Thompson should allow the transfer without such a guarantee.

Director Nevin Thompson, who argued for the UVSS keeping the day care, asked the BoD whether the costs of UVic daycare could match the expensive UBC daycare, which had a similar management change a few years ago.

Lucille Mackay, Day Care Services co-ordinator, maintains that "Mainland daycare has always been more expensive," and UVic's would remain relatively cheap.

The only unresolved issue is the $1 levy on all students to help fund the facility, approved in a referendum nine years ago to help the student-run day care. Another referendum will be run this fall, to reallocate this money.❑

# Expansion stalled

by rkwong

SUB expansion was supposed to start last summer.

This year's BoD has decided expansion will occur in April 1995, a year after the Commonwealth Games.

"SUB Expansion was being fast-tracked like a runaway train," said UVSS director David Bigsby. The BoD decided to put off construction of the SUB for the third year in a row because of unexpected equipment costs.

Students have been paying $21.00 per term towards the cost of the new SUB. They will continue to do so until SUB expansion bills are paid off, expected in March 2002.

Campus Planning, the UVic Administration department in charge of the expansion, had not considered the costs of equipping the building. Bigsby said that no one in the past had the job of estimating business start up costs.

The delay will free up funds for such things as dishes in the cafeteria and work stations in the computer lab.

"We are re-evaluating all parts of the building from a business plan upwards," said Bigsby.

The UVSS SUB Expansion committee meets weekly to discuss the expansion plans. All students are welcome to attend. Check the bulletin board beside the SUB general office for times.❑

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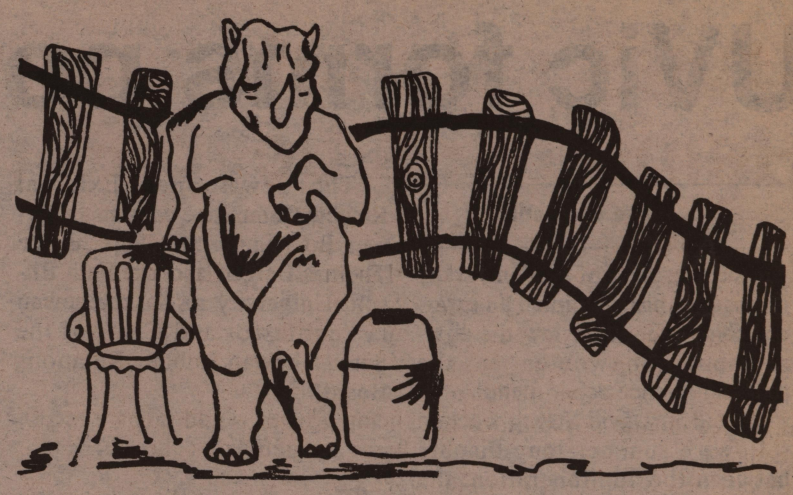
# BARF at the next election: new branch of Rhino formed



by Kara Killam

Want to BARF at the mainstream parties this federal election?

A new branch of the Rhinoceros Party has been formed in Regina, Saskatchewan that refer to themselves as "the recalcitrant rump of the Rhino party," or "BARF".

They produce *The Barbed Wire*, a paper containing BARF's political views.

These newcomers consider themselves clowns as were the Rhinos of the East but with a more intense note.

"We tell the truth, only the truth. This is no joke. We are serious clowns," says an issue of *The Barbed Wire.*

The new party's "seriousness" includes several political ideas for the upcoming election. For example, the born-again Rhino force plans to restore and maintain environmental integrity with their "Snitch Law".

"The Goddam CPR failed. It should return the land."

The law would reward anyone who successfully snitched on a corporate polluter with an annual salary for life equal to the Chief Executive officer of the offending corporation. The salary would be paid as a fine by the polluting corporation.

The Party also has a policy for the settlement of native land claims where the title to all land granted to the Canadian Pacific Railway would be transferred to the Native people of Canada.

A Party member explained "the reason is simple; the Goddam CPR was established not just to build a railway to the Pacific Coast, but to unite Canada and prevent the United States from taking the West.

"The Goddam CPR failed. It should return the land."

The Party stands strongly behind the painless elimination of the deficit, the national debt, and wiping out the "Gouge and Screw Tax (GST)."

They believe that the biggest problem in Canada is not the deficit, but the tax system itself.

"A comprehensive tax base will be required, making several forms of income subject to tax.

These will include capital gains, wind falls, employee fringe benefits, and family trusts.

"Taxes will be collected on such activities as transfer pricing and existing financing through paper corporations in tax havens. No deferrals.

"Income will be taxed only once," the paper reads.

The party believes Clyde Wells was correct in saying "There is something obscene about eleven men locking themselves in a room and deciding how they are going to run the country." BARF states that "these men and women must understand that they are servants and stewards, not masters. The new constitution would remind them of this."

The changes to the existing constitution would include the "Notwithstanding clause" being abolished and the rest of the constitution being "evolved."

"This will mean that the annual income tax return of every citizen will be no larger than a postcard."

The party's largest change would be a constitutional amendment to entrench the principles upon which their other policies are based.

The BARF party disagrees with the current emphasis of the constitution. Instead of a document describing and defining the way politicians govern the people, BARF members support a constitution that outlines the rights of citizens.

In their struggle for change, the born-again Rhino fanatics stand behind their motto: "We would rather get a thousand people to think than get a thousand people to vote for us."❑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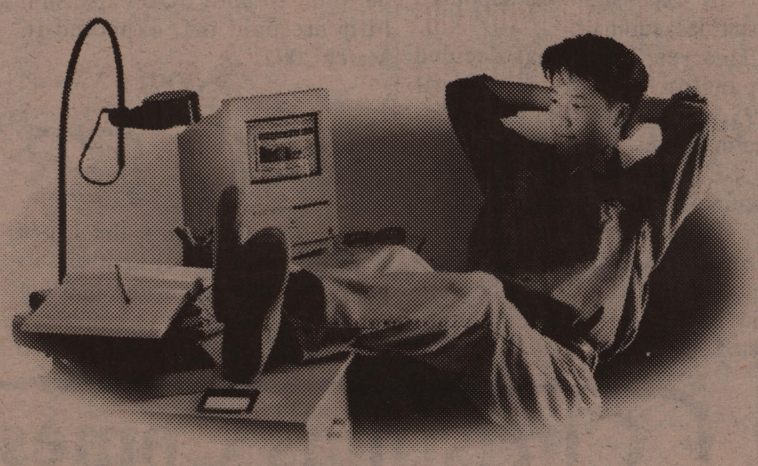

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# UVSS sets referendum: Hemp uses beyond potheads

by Shawn Hall

A growing number of people are looking beyond the pothead image of hemp - marijuana, cannabis, etc.- to the environmental and economic possibilities of the plant.

The University of Victoria Students' Society began a campaign last month to have the student body recognize these values and support its legalization.

A question on the Oct. 12-14 referendum will read "Do you support the following becoming UVSS policy: The UVSS supports the decriminalization of cannabis hemp."

As to how the UVSS will get people to vote yes, director Mike Gardiner said they will "spread the truth."

"The truth is that cannabis hemp, till the early 20th century, was the safest, most productive industrial material in use," he said.

Hemp fiber can be used to replace any wood product, said Nick Smirnow, owner of the Still Eagle shop in Nelson, B.C., which sells many hemp products. It cannot replace lumber but can be used to make particle board, said Smirnow.

This could reduce B.C.'s lumber cut to sustainable levels and create jobs in the hemp growing and processing industry.

"There might be a local economic boom if people here got on the bandwagon and cultivated THC-free hemp in clearcuts," he said. Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is the active drug in hemp, but a THC-free variety has recently been developed in France, said Smirnow.

"It appears to be a plant that grows fast, big, and useful," said Smirnow. "It makes fiber. It makes food, medicine, oil, salves, lip balms, clothing, twine..."

The plant can grow up to 20 feet in a single growing season and is the strongest natural fiber known, he said.

Making this more attractive, he said, is the fact that hemp can grow anywhere from tropical to semi-desert land. Much of the Canadian prairie falls into the latter category.

Hemp will not only thrive on this land, it will replenish it, Smirnow said, putting down 12 inch roots in 30 days.

In the case of soil lost to post-clearcut run-off, a few years of hemp growth would prepare it for trees by stabilizing the soil, supplying a carbon sink.

Hemp will produce 4.1 times as much fibre over a twenty year cycle as trees will.

"Our salvation is at hand," Smirnow said. "It's just illegal."

There is a strong feeling that this state should end. However, there are a lot of cultural barriers to overcome first.

"At some point you have to acknowledge that people have trouble seeing it as a fiber or oil because of all the drug propaganda," said Smirnow.

"Our salvation is at hand, it's just illegal."

He said a lot of powerful companies have a vested economic interest in the plant remaining illegal.

"This plant, if allowed to be grown, would make most of the products of Dow Chemicals, DuPont, and big lumber unnecessary," he said.

Dupont was a major lobbying force behind having hemp banned in Canada in 1937.

Smirnow said many of the claims surrounding pot are blown out of proportion by these economic forces.

In any given year, more people die of aspirin overdose than of pot. Yet 40 percent of the Federal anti-drug budget goes into fighting this plant, Smirnow said.

With legalization, however, goes the fear that economic forces will move in to profiteer from and tax this plant.

"Decriminalization (as opposed to legalization) will not allow for commercial enterprising of the bud," said Gardiner. So, the fiber and personal use would be legal, but not commercial growth for drug-use.

Seargent Randy Beveriage of the Victoria Street Crime Unit sees personal use as a problem. He said that drug use of any type, including drinking in a public place and marijuana use, degrades "traditional values of society."

He said that simple possession seems to be no big deal any more, and that the fines are getting smaller and smaller.

He noted that this is a reflection of the legal system and societal values.

The THC-free claim "Sounds like a good idea, if it works. The obvious concern is what are they going to do with the bud," said Beveriage

Gardiner does not see small-scale personal use as a problem.

"Smoking hemp has never been proven to be a burden on the individual or society," he said.

"Therefore, the individual's right to participate in an activity that effects only his/herself must be returned."❑

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UVSS director Michael Gardiner models THC-free hemp clothing.


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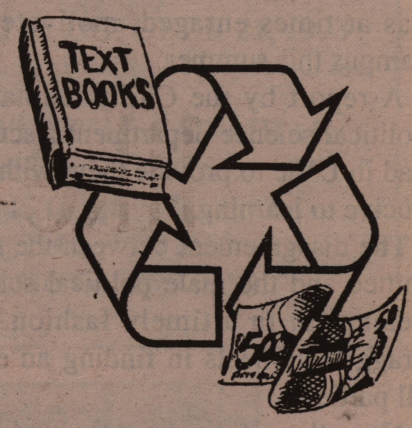


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# EDITORIAL

## RECIPE FOR A HAPPY, WELL-ADJUSTED STUDENT

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Mix vigorously with major computer glitches in the student loans program. Simmer for a couple of weeks.

Fold in overcrowded classrooms and lecture halls, gently.

Sprinkle in some beer.

Let sit overnight.

The batter may have gotten heated up overnight. Cool it down with some antiquated attitudes - sexist, racist and homophobic ones work best. Be careful, once you begin adding these attitudes they can easily dominate the flavor of the batter.

## CHILLY

Many of you will have missed the controversy that has at times enraged, motivated and paralyzed the campus this summer.

A report by the Chilly Climate Committee of the political science department fractured the trust women had in UVic to provide them with an environment conducive to learning.

The disagreement between the members of the committee and the male political science faculty was not dealt with in a timely fashion. Administration has dragged its heels in finding an equitable solution for all parties.

Now the admin has decided to form an external review committee to come up with some recommendations to improve the department.

Why wasn't this done immediately after it was revealed the male faculty would not accept the findings of the first review completed in May?

Why is it happening now?

We see a couple of possibilities.

Maybe it is to soothe the fears of students - returning to campus after four months away - who hear rumors about sexism in the poli sci department.

Or perhaps the admin. and poli sci old guard know the Chilly Climate Committee was right on the money and yet had their "Somer" of fun by smearing the five women involved in it.

But Big Brother Admin is saying "It's alright. See, we have things under control. We are looking into things - everyone's interests will be served."

President Strong, you have only supported the interests of the male poli sci faculty members with this delay. You have not looked into the interests of the department, the University, its female members, nor women in society.

The poli sci old guard should be ashamed of their department. This fundamental issue of equality has reached front pages on national newspapers and engaged debate in the provincial legislature. These professors should be ashamed because the situation in political science should be found in a history book - not in today's newspapers.

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Editors:

As a recent student in Theater 150, I want to congratulate you on offering such a fine course at UVic. Initially I was concerned that I wouldn't find a practical course at the University which gave me the necessary skills for my work. However, Theater 150 fit the bill exactly as a practical course. It gives students plenty of practice and excellent instruction in voice exercises, educational programs, extemporaneous speaking, persuasive presentations, and visual aids.

The course has obviously been developed very carefully and is designed to be demanding of the students while very supportive of their efforts. Kay Peet is a high caliber teacher; very effective.

It has occurred to me after a semester at UVic that the student experience is largely reading and writing. Yet in the work world there is a vital need to present one's thoughts and ideas verbally. This applies to lawyers, resource managers, teachers, government workers, and a host of other occupations.

It is to the credit of the Geography Department that students are called upon to give speeches and debates. Yet there is no instruction on speech preparation and delivery. We are graded on our performance but without Theater 150 I would have been very limited. In fact, the caliber of teaching at UVic, especially amongst TAs, would definitely benefit from exposure to Theater 150.

I want to encourage others to take Theater 150. It not only develops ones verbal skills for work it will also benefit ones self esteem.

Sincerely,
Carol Hartwig

### Ducks better people

Editors, (ha!)

Never have I found cause to write in concern over something you have published. Mostly I find your magazine dull and full of side stepping and appeasement. But, in regard to a letter by Matthew Ramsey, I would like to say he fucks wet bags of shit.

I like the ducks better than the people, the only thing I like about the University of Victoria is the ducks (and perhaps the 3rd floor of McPherson library.) I think it is the students you mean when you say, "All they do for the university is shit on the benches and get underfoot." So Matt, stick a copy of the *Martlet* up your ass and shit that out.

Also, please print this letter intact with typo's and spelling mistakes because I know It makes you feel good to add those (sic)'s and your not worth a rewrite.

With tender lovin',
Shane M. Sparks

### End the deluge

Editors:

The following is part of a letter which was sent to the "Letters" column of Victoria's most celebrated and alleged "alternative press," *Monday Magazine*, apparently they found it to be too radical to print so now I forward it to Victoria's only true alternative press.

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So, the solutions are relatively simple and inexpensive. It's about time we began to fight the junk mail dilemma to rid ourselves of the deluge and perhaps, in doing so, save a tree or two for our grandchildren.

David Nickoli

### Around the world

Editors:

In the plethora of wonderful and exciting events of the Week of Welcome it is hard to pick up which events to go to. Well, I guess there is one event that none of you would want to miss-the INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' RECEPTION. I don't know if you realized, but UVic offers you the most fabulous experience of studying with students from over 60 countries of the world. And all of them are going to gather at the same time in one small room to meet each other and to meet their Canadian friends. I would like to invite all of you to come to the reception and experience the spirit of global friendship. I would especially encourage Canadian students to participate as they are of great help to new international students during the transition period of the first few weeks in Canada.

I would also encourage everybody to participate in all the events sponsored by the Association of Foreign and Canadian Students (AFCS) throughout the coming year. Our first event will traditionally be an Ethnic Potluck and you will have the opportunity to Taste the World on One Plate (look for information around the end of September).

I shall then see you all in the Green Room, September 9 (TODAY!!!) at 5pm at the INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' RECEPTION.

Jarek Oleszczuk
President, AFCS
Director-at-Large, UVSS

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*"Talking to me would be like talking to a carefuly trained porpoise."*

*Nevin Thompson*

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**Directors David Bigsby and George Pringle settling into office.**

# Busy summer for BoD

**by rkwong**

The University of Victoria Students' Society is composed of all undergraduate students at UVic. As of Sept. 1, each member pays a membership fee, $51.50 per semester for full-time students, $25.75 for part-time students.

The Board of Directors are elected members who administer the UVSS. They held 13 meetings over the summer.

## Daycare transferred to UVic

UVSS day care will be transferred to UVic after a great emotional battle. UVSS will give to the university the $80,000 day care surplus, the $500,000 SUB expansion funds to the new day care building, and its direct control over guaranteeing affordable day care to parents. UVSS Chair Janetta Ozard said if nothing is done, the UVSS activity fee will drop by $1 per term in January.

## Political Science Chilly Climate

As UVic's Political Science department was nationally scandalized as a result of events related to the Chilly Climate Committee Report, the BoD supported the committee's recommendations of having a more gender sensitive approach by professors and students.

George Pringle, UVSS academics director, failed in his attempt to freeze funding to the Political Science Course Union as penalty for misappropriating funds by having an executive paying themselves. Chris Devlin, UVSS resource coordinator, explained most clubs and course unions reimburse their executives for out-of-pocket expenses.

## Work-Study Challenge

Pringle continued to rock the UVSS boat by asking the BoD to have the provincial government investigate misappropriation of work study funds for having non-research work study positions. Miranda Duffy, UVSS director, asked Pringle for the legislation on work study because Duffy believed this legislation did not exist. Pringle replied by stating she should go find it herself. (Student Financial Aid office confirmed that no such legislation exists.)

## In-Fighting

Fiscal restraint has been the topic over the summer. The BoD purchased a laser printer for their office instead of a bubble jet printer. Director David Bigsby said the BoD had no need for a laser printer, and those in favor of the expensive printer were merely "technophiles."

Morris Redecopp, UVSS Administrative Coordinator, said the computer & printer deal was necessary for the office.

The Steelworker's Union spoke against the raise hike for SUB managers. Angie Sorrel, Steelworker's spokesperson, said the pay raises equated to an average 4.5%, while the worker's top two positions had no increase this year.

*The UVSS Board of Directors meet every Monday evening during the winter session at 6:30 pm in the SUB Upper Lounge.*❑

# STUDENT VOICE

by Michael Butterfield

My dreams of becoming a rower were born twenty years ago on a Saturday afternoon. I sat in the T.V. room of the children's' home where I grew up and watched the Olympic rowers gliding through the water. I fantasized about rowing, imagined myself as a super athlete. But like most childhood fantasies, the reality was a million miles away.

Twelve years later the dream was reinvented when I signed up as novice rower at UVic.

Filled with hopes and ambitions, I showed up at the first novice meeting. Three huge guys with blond hair and big muscles told us that we too could become varsity athletes. They told us that we would make good friends and become the envy of all other men. I wasn't quite sure what they meant, but it sounded good.

Three days later we had our first try-out. Suddenly, these nice guys from the meeting lost their friendly demure. Instead, they barked orders, making me run, do sit-ups, crunches, and squats.

Things were bad. I was in pain, but this was only the first day. It could only get better. I was - as usual - wrong. Now that I was committed they felt safe to tell me that normal practices would be held at Elk Lake at 5 am.

I was horrified.

Strangely, after a couple of weeks I became used to being up early. The lake at sunrise was quite beautiful.

Time went on and we actually became good. We had some wild parties. I lost about 12 lb. and started feeling good about life.

The following year I was a JV rower and there was a new crop of novice rowers. No longer did we arrive early for practice only to discover that it was our turn to wash the goose shit off the the dock.

No longer did we take our coaches or ourselves too seriously.

I rowed for over four years. I never realized my dream of becoming an Olympic Athlete. I never even spent an entire season on the Varsity crew.

I learned the limits of my dream.

The friendships I made that first year still endure. The common bond is formed not by being great, but by being a part of something great.

## Clayoquot protesters on trial

# Process under question

by Dave Clements

Suits and tie-dyes joined forces Aug. 30 to protest the mass trials of Clayoquot arrestees.

The first 52 detained, including blockade organizer Tzeporah Berman, were greeted by a vigil of drumming and chanting after the court adjourned for lunch on their first day.

"The trials raise very serious questions about the judicial process," said William Thomas, spokesperson for the Friends of Clayoquot Sound.

Many of those arrested on the blockades will be tried en masse, and plans such as the renting of Royal B.C. Museum's Newcombe Theatre to try approximately 200 have environmentalists and lawyers concerned.

"There is a lot of pressure on people to plead guilty," said Thomas. "One woman said we've already been sentenced - to one month in the Newcombe."

"They need to balance the concern of moving quickly with giving the defense time to adequately prepare," said Defense counsel Glen Orris. "However, I'm not saying that trying so many stops them from being treated as individuals ..."

"There is a lot of pressure on people to plead guilty."

After most of the defendants had exited, the crowd of about 300 walked through the downtown core, waving banners and chanting often-used slogans.

Tourists and business people scampered out of the path of the fairly sedate, yet visibly angry throng. German tourist Günter Schaub commented "These are the same problems as Germany ... clearcutting is a problem. There should be another way."

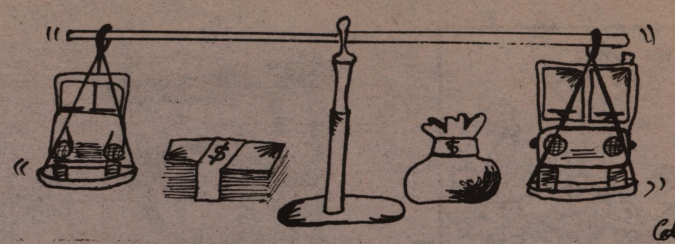
The terminus of the journey saw a rally outside the Ministry of Forests, where protest organizers gave brief speeches.

"The Crown is sending a clear message that they are willing to work in the corporation's interest, and not the people's interest," said Tzeporah Berman.

Terry Brown, one of the first arrested at the blockade, criticized the provincial government's spending of $1.5 million to set up a publicity office in Brussels. The office was created to combat the international knowledge of barbaric B.C. forest practices.

Protesters vowed to continue the fight to save the Sound, and fight for reforms to logging practices in the province.

"We will stand on the line until the Clayoquot decision is reversed," said Berman.❑



# BoG raises fees again over summer

by rkwong

Over the summer, the University of Victoria Board of Governors discussed fee increases for UVic Services - after they approved a 9.75 per cent tuition fee hike for this year.

Student parking rates went up 25.3 per cent for cars to $54.50 per year for automobiles and 24.1 per cent to $18 for motorcycles. These rates are still lower than most colleges and universities in British Columbia.

UVic President David Strong said parking fees may go up another 25 per cent if an agreement is reached between UVic Traffic and Security, the UVSS, and BC Transit to subsidize student bus passes.

Camosun College students pay $30.10 for a three-month bus pass, and drivers pay higher parking fees to subsidize the service.

Strong said UVic Campus Planning and Traffic & Security want to prevent more green space being converted into asphalt parking lots.

Another fee hike was residence accommodations. The fees increased by 5.6 percent to $3,944.01 - per year - for a double room and an average meal plan.

This will still make UVic 25th in Canadian post-secondary residence costs, according UVic Housing & Conference Services.

As usual, if anything exciting happened at this meeting, it would have occurred in the closed session, where public members are not allowed.

*The Board of Governors is the highest body on campus. It is composed of nine provincial government appointees, the president of UVic, two faculty electees, one union electee, and two student electees. The student representatives are David Bate and Beth Hardy.*

*Meetings occur once a month on a Monday afternoon in the Senate Chambers, adjunct to University Centre. Bate and Hardy can be reached by leaving a message in the Student Union Building General Office.*❑

## Notice of By-Election

**University of Victoria Students' Society nomination period:**
**opens Tuesday September 14, 1993**
**closes Thursday September 23, 1993**

**Nomination packages are available in the SUB Resource Centre (Rm 135)**

**Completed forms must be submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer in the Resource Centre**

**The campaigning period runs from Monday, September 27 at 8:00 am, and ends Monday October 11, at midnight.**
**Date by which mail-out ballots are considered duly cast is October 14, 1993.**
**Polling days run October 12, 13, and 14.**

**Positions available are one or more Director at Large positions and the official representatives of the YES and NO sides of the two referendum questions:**

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| Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group (in addition to the current $2.50) | $ .50 |
| WUSC refugee student support (in addition to the current $.25) | $ .25 |
| Martlet Publishing Society (replaces current funding) | $2.75 |
| Clubs and Course Unions (replaces current funding) | $1.50 |
| The Women's Centre (replaces current funding) | $ .95 |
| Daniel Jacobs Student Emergency Aid Fund (replaces current funding) | $ .50 |

**As well, a renewal and redirection of the $1.00 per full-time Student Day Care Operating Fee, which ends January 1994, to a Student Parent Daycare Bursary Fund?**

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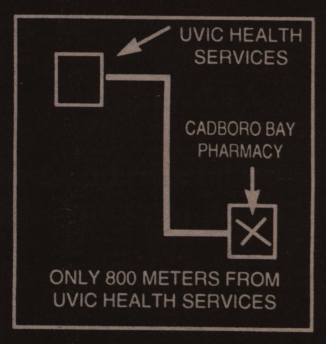


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# UVic departments face budget cuts

by rkwong & Shawn Hall

University of Victoria president Dr. David Strong has asked all academic departments to cut their budget by four per cent.

B.C. Minister of Advanced Education Tom Perry announced earlier this year his ministry will increase its funding to the operating budget of post-secondary institutions by three per cent for this academic year. This increase was not received by UVic.

Perry also stated the NDP's position of accessible post-secondary education by calling for a maximum ten per cent tuition hike.

"It's a fallacy," said Strong. "Most of the increase [from the ministry] went to colleges and the University of the North [in Prince George]. The budgets of all departments are being cut by four per cent across the board, including co-op."

UVic increased tuition by 9.75 per cent, but did not receive the expected funding for operating expenses from the ministry.

Dean of arts and science Dean Costa said the social sciences suffered a budget cut closer to one per cent.

"Each year the university computes the average cost per student for each area of study," said Costa, and "although social sciences did not have a drastic cut, there is no more room for cuts in social sciences.

"You can't squeeze blood out of stone."

George Pringle, University of Victoria Students' Society director of academics, said "it's unfortunate the cut-backs are happening to academic services while the University disobeyed [the BC] government instruction on a salary cap on administrators and unions."

"It hurts," said Anthony Welch, dean of fine arts. Although his faculty complied with the cuts - with great pains to prevent deterioration of the fine arts programs - Welch said he would rather have the pay raises to avoid a strike and loss of good faculty staff.

James Provan, dean of engineering, agreed with Pringle. Provan said he would personally prefer a wage freeze on university employees, but he admitted "that has all sorts of implications" and added a wage freeze could never work.

Dean of Humanities, Ian Macpherson said his division prevented cuts into programmes by not filling vacant teaching positions.

MacPherson cites two English faculty vacancies, as well as the cancellation of three courses, meaning the division did not have to freeze wages.

Strong added funding is "going to get worse" in coming years.❑

# Clayoquot day of action

by Calinda Brown

Students will have one more chance before October to protest the NDP's decision in the Clayoquot Sound .

The Sept. 27 Student Day of Action is being organized by The UVic Temperate Rainforest Action Group (TRAG). The goal of the day is to prevent MacMillan-Bloedel and their agents from illegally logging in unceded native territory.

"Students who are both environmentalists and concerned citizens have taken part in the blockade through the summer, due to the effort to focus on middle-class participation in the blockade," said TRAG spokesperson Michael Gardiner.

"Sept. 27 will provide the opportunity for students to show that they have as strong and as important a voice as anyone else."

TRAG considers the energy of last March's mass protest at the B.C. Legislature a catalyst for the strength of protests this summer, which have resulted in over 600 people being arrested at the Kennedy River Blockade.

UVic-TRAG is hoping for protests across the country - like the recent sit-in at the Toronto Stock Exchange - and is sending letters to universities across Canada to garner support.

Buses will leave Victoria Sunday evening to arrive at the Kennedy River Bridge in Clayoquot Sound at 5 am on Monday.

Anyone who has not had civil disobedience or non-violence training will take them on site, or they will not be permitted to stand on the blockade.

Some of the money from the Commons Block dance this Friday, Sept. 10 will fund transportation for the Day of Action.

Although most attention this summer has focused on the Clayoquot, Gardiner emphasized that TRAG supports the preservation of all unfragmented rainforests in B.C.

TRAG is actively supporting the Walbran blockade by Terra Prima and is organizing opposition to a planned road into Sad Lake. The road permit cuts directly across an area it was hoped would be completely preserved.

If you wish to offer support, you can contact Michael Gardiner through the SUB resource centre at 721-8366 or leave a message in his mailbox behind the SUB general office.❑

# Coliform shuts down lakes

by Shawn Hall

High faecal coliform counts at local lakes shut many of them down for much of the summer.

Beaver and Prospect Lake both had counts higher than 200 parts per 100 ml - the accepted safe maximum-since mid July. Advisories not to swim in these lakes were posted.

Swimming in water infested with coliform can cause intestinal disease, eye and throat infections, and other disorders.

And the 200 per 100 ml is not an absolute guide.

"195 is no safer than 205," said Les Potter, Director of CRD Health Protection and Environmental Programs.

He added at that level there is perhaps a 2 per cent chance of contracting a disease, which rises with the count.

At one point in August, Beaver Lake had a count of 971 parts per 100 ml. That number has since dropped to 366.

Potter said that the increased number of birds at these lakes combined with the recent hot weather is the cause of such high counts.

However, "Our role is strictly to advise the public," he said. It is up to the public whether or not to take action against the birds' indiscriminate aim.

He said none of the restricted lakes are used for drinking, so there is no danger to anyone but swimmers.

Since the extension of sewage system lines further into Juan de Fuca Strait, no ocean beaches have had high coliform readings.❑

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# Inquiry reveals racism

by Stephen DeMeulenaere

The first part of a two-part inquiry into the behaviour of Canadian Airborne Regiment soldiers in Somalia has raised disturbing questions about the US-led, G7/UN operation.

Heavily censored transcripts of the inquiry detailed the racist behaviour of the soldiers toward the Somali people, soldiers who have also been linked by the inquiry to at least one hate organization-W.A.R., or White Aryan Resistance.

The 2 Commando Unit contains as many as 12 members of a racist/fascist organization, four of whom are being held for court martial in the beating, torture and shooting deaths of four Somalis.

This unit has also been blamed for stealing ammunition, destroying military equipment, and torching a superior officer's car at their base in Petawawa, Ontario.

The Airborne Regiment commanding officer's attempts not to include the 2 Commando Unit on the mission to Somalia was overruled by the top brass.

"I would expect the government to be doubly vigilant about racism in the military, especially when selecting soldiers for peacekeeping duties," said John Brewin, Victoria MP and NDP Defense Critic.

"There are serious contradictions in the purposes of the mission."

He says the inquiry proves they are not. "The inquiry underestimated the significance of the problem when it concluded that racism was not a problem with Canadian soldiers in Somalia," he said.

The military disagrees. Major General Lewis Mackenzie who sat on the inquiry found no problem with calling Somali people "niggers" or "gimmes".

Referring to the difference between a "peace-keeping" and "peace-making" military operation, he said what is happening in Somalia is similar to what happened in Korea and Iraq, also US-led, UN "peace-making" operations.

"When we went to Korea, we didn't refer to the honorable oriental gentlemen who were attacking from the north," Mackenzie said. "We had pretty nasty names for them."

The use of the Canadian Forces by racist and fascist organizations for violence training is not new, says the B.C. Organization to Fight Racism.

The organization released reports it received of card-carrying members of hate organizations who are also naval trainees at CFB Esquimalt in Victoria and are actively recruiting among the young street skinhead and high school youths for the next generation of organized racists and fascists.

These cards may be printed either for the Church of Jesus Christ of Aryan Nations, but since they suffer credibility due to organizational problems, the Church of the Creator may be the organization of choice.

These hate groups seek to promote hatred toward people of the "mud races", those not "cleanly" descended from Adam, the figure from the Old Testament

The goal of their military training is the annihilation or subjugation of those who refuse to accept the "religious" beliefs or particularly authoritarian ideology of white supremacy-people such as communists, liberal democrats, people of color, or those who have disabilities.

Ultimately, their goal is the establishment of a Whites-only area.

Tony McAleer, head of the Canadian Liberty Net and friend of Victoria racist-fascist defense lawyer Doug Christie, has advised budding racists and fascists to join the military for more formal training.

The inquiry quotes one soldier, possibly an officer, as saying he was in Somalia to "shoot me a nigger."

The inquiry comes at a time when criticism of the First-World military operation in the poor yet strategically-located Somalia, is rising.

"There are serious contradictions in the purposes of the mission", said Brewin. "There is no serious long-term strategy. If so, it is secret. That is, there has not been an open discussion among UN member-states."

Many in the military see no contradiction.

"People refer (to our role in the Somali mission) as peacekeepers. We are not," said Canadian Airborne Regiment Major Rod McKay. "We were in Somalia as peacemakers, and the difference is important."

Canadian soldiers were sent to Somalia "to rid the country of anarchy," said Major General Mackenzie. The mainstream American press said it was to "instill order in a lawless land."

John Brewin said the problem is in the "approach to this mission in Somalia as a combat mission. The mission was fundamentally humanitarian, with the military in a police role."

Essentially, US Forces were sent there to initiate the "peace-making" of a stable client regime, he said.

As soon as US Troops invaded, US special envoy Robert Oakley located allies willing to help set up a Civilian Security Force, the precursor to any stable government regime.

But stable government has eluded Somalia throughout the cold war, as it has moved back and forth between USA and USSR control.

In the late 80 s - while under a USA - established regime-nearly 2/3 of Somalia was granted to US multinational oil companies Conoco, Amoco, Chevron, and Philips in the form of concessional blocks.

"We were in Somalia as peacemakers, and the difference is important."

During the Gulf War, this regime collapsed, paving the way for civil war. Less than a year later, factions began forming within the United Somali Congress to deal with internal contradictions.

Conflict escalated between followers of General Mohammed Farrah Aidid and President Ali Mahdi Mohammed. Famine conditions struck areas inflicted by the civil strife.

Then-in December of last year - with the backing of the UN Security Council - the US invaded Somalia with 28,000 troops. Soldiers from France, Britain, Belgium and Canada came that spring.

Immediately after the invasion, the US Navy Times reported that "...intervention in Somalia serves US strategic and political interests in the middle East.... Whoever controls Somalia could control the southern entrance to the Red Sea and thus the Suez Canal."

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# Culture hits volcano

by Chris Vance

Vancouver's fourth annual Under the Volcano Festival: the only place where you can learn knife-making and herb identification and then listen to Chinese rap and Okanagan poetry.

The festival's organizer, Youth Art Works, did a fine job of appealing to every side of the 1,500-plus crowd attending the all-day July 25 concert.

Jeet "I'm just Asian straight-up - full flavor, no MSG" Kei spread the rap about anti-racism and Chinese traditions of struggle.

He rapped about the legendary Chinese character the Monkey King, who gave people of colour "the power to turn the world upside down." His message was to "reach for your roots 'cause we are the soil."

In between rappers and punk bands, were workshops on subjects ranging from civil-disobedience tactics to women's Wen Li Do self-defense courses.

These corresponding political sessions are what makes this festival unique and worth the money. Under the Volcano has decided to reflect its listeners instead of patronizing them. Lollapalooza it ain't.

"I write from anger because I am a First Nations poet Lesbian."

The event was, in quite an ad-hoc way, co-presented by the Vancouver-based anti-racist group Roots of Resistance, an action-oriented collective working to fight white supremacy.

Tickle Trunk, the Vancouver grrrlcore wonders inspired dancing far and wide. Tickle Trunk's funniest moment came when they played a song about exploited Thai refugees in Myanmar right after lecturing about lack of concern for local issues.

Then again, this was probably a display of ironic brilliance.

Tickle Trunk cut to the chase with their harsh lyrics and vigorously dancing lead singer. Hopefully they'll find it in their hearts (and wallets) to visit Victoria.

A powerful writer also graced Under the Volcano, - poet Percy Lezard, the two-spirited Okanagan poet. "I write from anger because I am a First Nations poet Lesbian," said Lezard, after reading a personal account of `coming out.'

Lezard also confronted the common misconception that people with privilege are themselves oppressed: "I am here not to massacre the white man, only his attitude."

Other native people on stage included rap bands Culture Hype Crew and WithOut Rezervation. As WithOut Rezervation put it, native nations are "standing strong behind a fist of fury/ It's time for some action."

The Crew and WithOut Rezervation rapped together with another stokin' band, Aztlan Nation to form the best rap front that ever hit Vancouver.

Rap rarely meets herb identification, but at Under the Volcano, everything's probable. With a paltry $25,000 budget, this festival was the summer's best.❑

# *Et Tu, Babe* kicks

by Brett Grubisic

***Et Tu, Babe***
**by Mark Leyner**
**Random House 1993**
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"Mr. President I have a chunk of pork in my mouth."

Mark Leyner's bizarre last book, *My Cousin, My Gastroenterologist*, included stories called "I Was an Infinitely Hot and Dense Dot" and "In the Kingdom of Boredom, I Wear the Royal Sweatpants."

Non sequiturs, images that collide violently and a fascination with dangerous chemicals are the hallmarks of Leyner's style. "Saliva of the Fittest" is an example:

"A diagonal smear of chocolate across my windshield is the result of a malicious doughnut tossed from a trestle" is followed by "A succession of nose jobs has left me with little more than a pinched piece of foreskin in the center of my face."

The stylized weirdness and anarchic energy of *My Cousin* is somewhat toned-down in *Et Tu, Babe*, Leyner's latest work.

This novel has a semi-continuous narrative which describes Leyner's dealings with his superstar status.

"My whole life has been one long ultraviolet, hyperkinetic nightmare. But yes, I am an author. (And a dog trainer—I taught my puppy Carmella to drink scalding hot coffee out of her bowl on the floor.)"

Along the way readers are exposed to samples of life in Leyner's hyperbolic, supranational America. From the miniature golf course in Yokohama to Marla Marples in San Quentin (for the murder of Muppets creator Jim Henson and Malcolm Forbes), *Et Tu, Babe* is nonstop humour, energy, and all out weirdness.

In the final chapter Leyner, the "visionary warrior," (leader of Team Leyner, call 1-800-T-Leyner) disappears and incites mass demonstrations across the globe.

We can only hope that Leyner, like America's other god, Elvis, will be spotted at the local 7-11 taking notes for his next novel.❑


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# LOOK OUT!

*Look out! is a compilation of news clips from alternative news sources around the world. Edited by Chris Vance.*

## Gulf War still killing in Iraq

Thanks to modern weaponry, many children in Iraq are dying of cancer due to inhaling dust from uranium-tipped ammunition used in the 1991 Gulf War. Around 40 tons of nuclear waste from the war remain in Iraq today.

Ironically, the nuclear medicine needed to treat the children with cancer is banned under the terms of continuing international sanctions against Iraq.

*Swati Desai, Peace Media*

## San Fransisco police arrests free-lunch server

On Sept. 3, the San Francisco mayor's office ordered police to arrest a server for Food Not Bombs—a group serving free food to the city's hungry poor. The person was arrested during a 6 pm meal and is charged with resisting arrest and violating a court injunction.

*NY Transfer News Collective*

## No cola is cool in Guatemala

On Aug. 18, Pepsi-Cola joined Coca-Cola in violently suppressing workers who are unionizing at bottling plants, said Central American solidarity groups. About 1,800 workers are employed by Pepsi-Cola in Guatemala City and are being forcefully discouraged from unionizing.

Also in August, some union organizers working for Coca-Cola were abducted and tortured by anonymous assailants.

Address protest letters to: Chris Sinclair, President, Pepsi International, 1 Pepsi Way, Somers, NY, 10589.

*Network in Solidarity with the People of Guatemala*

## British Ecologists protest over-logging in B.C.

Canadian ecologist Ted Oakes organized a demonstration against logging in Clayoquot Sound in London Sept. 7. Oakes said BC's over-harvesting is extensively covered by the British media.

*Ted Oakes*

## Foreign military in Somalia plan to steal water

"Peace keepers" in Somalia plan to dam the Shebelle River to increase their water supply, said Dr. Herri of the Wildnet Service. The Somalis who live in the area have not been consulted, and the area has already suffered under similar "development" projects.

*Dr. Ahmed Abdirahman Herri, Wildnet Service*

## Queers and Women confront bigots in Washington

After protesters from Queer Nation and the Women's Action Coalition successfully closed down a Christian Coalition conference in Yakima, Washington this June, they decided to go on a SHOPping (Suburban Homosexual Outreach Project) spree.

Groups of women passed mall-shoppers lesbian dollar bills and couples registered their love with department stores. One shopper threatened eternal hell-fires and damnation, but the protesters were un-abated.

*Queer Nation, Seattle*

## Australian cops anti-gay

Melbourne, Australia's police are reviving an old tactic to harass gay citizens. Undercover police provoke suspected gay people into defending themselves, then arrest them for "offensive behaviour." The police arrest approximately 80 gay people a week.

*Jeremy Smith, Greenleft News*

## U.S. still punishing Nicaragua

In August, U.S. Senator Jesse Helms pushed a bill through Capital Hill freezing economic aid to Nicaragua until supposed terrorist tendencies are removed from the Nicaraguan military.

On Sept. 2, Nicaraguan President Violetta Chamorro announced the Army's leader, a Sandinista, would be replaced early next year. Many consider Chamorro's 1990 election win to be itself a result of similar American blackmail.

*NY Transfer News Collective*

## American solidarity workers welcomed to Cuba by Castro

On Aug. 24, after surviving a 23 day hunger strike, an American and Canadian delegation was greeted in Havana, Cuba by President Fidel Castro and crowds of Cuban supporters. The hunger strike was in protest of American border guards' refusal to allow medical and school supplies to reach Cuba.

The US continues their decades-long blockade against Cuba even though the small island is facing the toughest economic times since before the 1959 socialist revolution.

*Worker's World Service*

## Israeli-PLO peace plan against UN resolutions

The Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip may be closer to "self-rule," but it's a far cry from the legally defined "self-determination."

Self-determination for Palestine (and Israel) was recently endorsed by the UN in 1988 which called for the complete withdrawal of Israel from the Occupied Territories.

*Elias Davidson*

## Israel continues demolishing Palestinian homes

Despite on-going peace talks, the Israeli government is continuing its practice of settling Jewish immigrants on Palestinian land. In June alone, eight Palestinian houses in Jerusalem were demolished, leaving over 45 people homeless.

*Challenge*

## Yanomami Massacre nothing new

Contrary to the mainstream media's approach, the Yanomami Indians of northern Brazil have been facing massacres since first contact with miners in the 1970s. Since then, over 2,000 have been killed.

The much-talked about massacre this August left 18 dead. Brazil's federal police have named 23 suspects.

*Indianist Missionary Council*

## Berlin to close lesbian and gay centre

The "Lesben und Schulenberatung" may serve 5,000 clients a year, but the City of Berlin is still planning to close it, supposedly due to budget cuts. The organization points out that no centers serving mostly heterosexual clients are being closed.

Protest letters can be sent to Dr. Ditmar Staffelt Fraktionsvorsitzender der SPD Abgeordnetenhaus von Berlin Niederkirchner Street5 10117 Berlin, Germany.

*International Gay Lesbian Human Rights Commission*

## Nations protest exploitation of culture

In June, 500 delegates from 40 tribes of the Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota Nations declared war against exploiters of Native spirituality. They bring up examples of sacred pipestone being used for drug paraphernalia and the profitable non-Native industry of leading sweat lodges and teaching "shaman classes."

In July, some American Indian Movement members asked non-Native "Shaman" Lynn Andrews to admit her lectures were based more in fantasy than in spirituality. Andrews was unable to meet with the AIM delegation due to her negotiations for a movie contract.

*Valerie Taliman, News From Indian Country*

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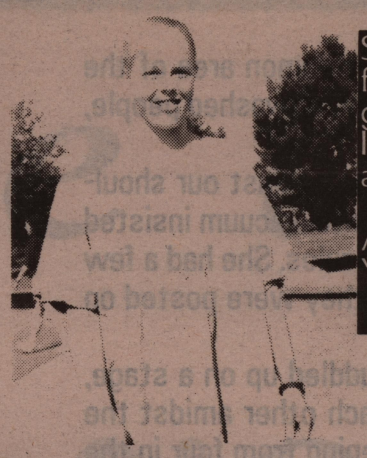

So far I can afford tuition fees for the first semester, but I think I can manage to get tuition for the second semester. I worked last summer. I'm hoping to find a job to pay for the second semester.

Adrienne Wood
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It's difficult but we can do it.

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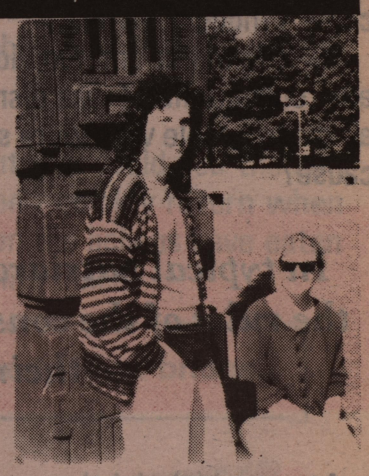

Yes, it's paid for by my scholarship.

David Ballentine
Year 1, Physics & Astronomy

Basically it's tough but I can make ends meet. I have financial aid and the US Army.

Steven Pullen
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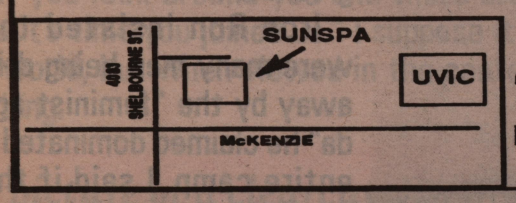


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# why I but

BY ALISA SMITH

The first thing that struck us as we entered the common area of the Clayoquot Peace Camp was the rank smell—like a barn. Unwashed people, and unwashed dogs treading over straw.

We were detained at the gate, our packs straining against our shoulders, as a woman with a vacant look and periodic mental vacuum insisted on "greeting" us to the camp by reciting all the camp rules. She had a few problems remembering them, however, even though they were posted on a huge sign behind her.

All the camp Men's Movement followers were huddled up on a stage, baring their masculine souls and hairy chests to each other amidst the incessant bongo drumming—monotonous and maddening from four in the morning till way after dark. We were also to discover these men had commandeered control of the peace camp with their sensitive New Age (militaristic) tactics.

Although assured by some of the camp "residents" in the chow line that the communal camp was a model for Utopia, I had other ideas. Welcome, I thought, to hell.

As a feminist and individualist, I was appalled by what I saw. As an environmentalist, I was dismayed. How could I feel so alienated amongst all these people who were supposed to be rallying to the same cause, my cause?

*In typical patriarchal fashion, they had mastered the rules of the consensus game and twisted them to their own selfish ends.*

At a typical nightly consensus circle, there were about 150 people clustered around the central hearth, protected from the elements by a M.A.S.H.-like awning camouflaged with netting—almost as if they were expecting an aerial bombing by the MacBlo planes and choppers that flew overhead daily.

The circle was facilitated by some of the Friends of Clayoquot Sound organizers (although by August their presence seemed minimal at the camp, as they seem to have relinquished it to the hippies.)

Some of the mandatory circle procedures struck me as bizarre. If you agreed with someone you weren't supposed to speak, but TWINKLE (by wiggling your fingers). I'm sorry, but as a dignified person I must refuse such wigglings.

There was a talking stick to indicate who had the floor. Ninety per cent of the time it was one of the Men's Movement boys who nabbed it, as they thought they were extremely interesting and knowledgeable. Women haven't been socialized to be such unself-conscious losers in front of large groups.

I could not believe the male dominated circle lasted way past dusk, when all that was discussed was the mode of protest for the next day's blockade. The choices were: carrying a charred stick or not carrying a charred stick, carrying a sprig of cedar or not carrying a sprig of cedar, and standing on the road in a line or in a circle.

There was supposed to be symbolism involved.

The sprig of cedar question was particularly controversial as some people were philosophically opposed to the idea. Said one man, "After all, once you pick it, it's really just dead. It would be wrong to hurt the cedar tree so." A fierce argument ensued about whether picking a sprig really hurt or not.

Spiritual Man took advantage of a hiatus in the debate to make a grand speech. "All you have to do," he said in slow measured tones, "is ASK the cedar tree if it WANTS you to pick the sprig. When I ask, the cedar tells me Yes, take it brother. To me, the cedar is sacred. When I pick a sprig, to dry and put into bundles to burn for cleansing smoke, I gently pick it, and sniff it. I put it right to my nose, and sniff deeply. You do this too, and the cedar will tell you to go ahead and pick."

What do you say to a man who insists the cedar told him it was okay? Fortunately, the cedar didn't tell anyone No, or things could've gotten ugly.

About (great white) Spiritual Man: his beliefs were obviously lifted (swiped, appropriated) from Native cultures. But his interest stopped at the burning of (somebody else's) spiritual cedar: him and most others at the camp had no interest in or knowledge of Native issues (ie. the unresolved land claim status of most of the Clayoquot area they are trying to protect).

When the Friends of Clayoquot Sound did mention the issue, it received much less interest than the dream of flying that an acid-burnout-case hippie woman shared with the enthralled group.

But after all, said "Iron Ron" at a Gender Issues Circle, you can't really concentrate on more than one issue at a time. Environmentalism, that's it. (Yup, otherwise your head just might explode if you tried to squeeze in something else, like women's rights or Native land claims.)

That was the topic of the day, feminism (or where to shove it). I have never been privy to such overt misogyny and woman-bashing as I heard that afternoon.

My friend Ana joined the circle with some concrete proposals to help include women in the camp's decision making, make them feel more comfortable, and deal with sexism/sexual harassment.

However, her modest proposal of a gender alternating speakers list to keep men from dominating discussions was seen as high treason by the Movement boys. In typical patriarchal fashion, they had mastered the rules of the consensus game and twisted them to their own selfish ends.

While wagging a finger, Wild Man Richard said, "I will block any proposal to start a gender alternating speakers list . . . I am a huMAN first."

Blocking is the ultimate No in consensus, where the entire group is prevented from a course of action based on one person's moral grounds.

Iron Ron insisted there were many men being driven away by the "feminist agenda" he claimed dominated the entire camp. I said if there was any kind of feminist agenda at this camp it had sure gone right over my head and I would've been a lot happier at the camp if I'd seen one.

On the other hand, I'd heard of rampant sexual harassment which had caused many women to leave. The overt sexism had driven out many others. I knew I was itching to get out.

Another man, in his 50s, said that feminism was counter-productive and just resulted in male-bashing. He neglected to acknowledge

**Debris and destruction at the Kennedy River Bridge, Clayoquot Sound.**

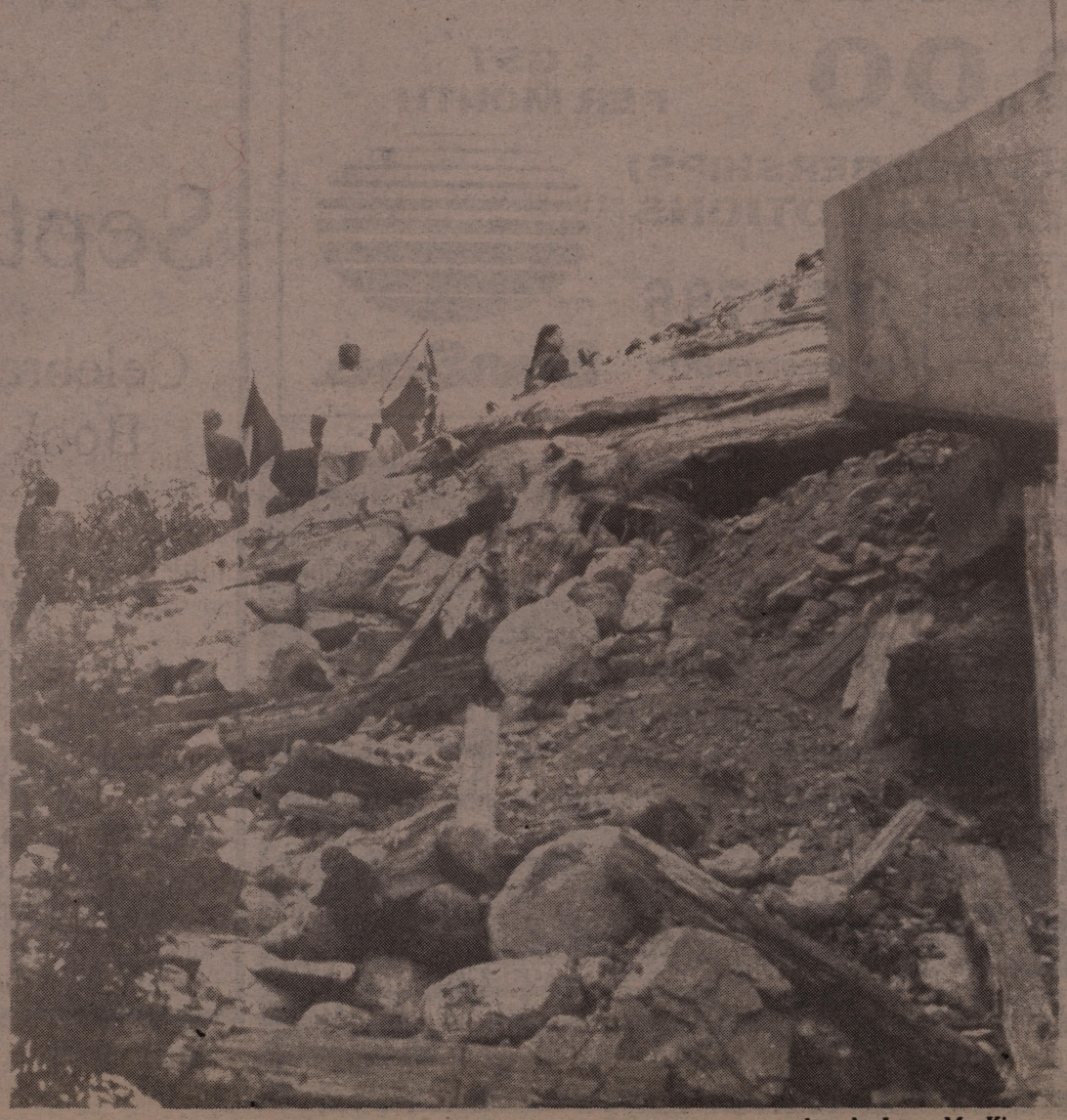


*photo by James MacKinnon*

# love the trees, I hate you

his female-bashing.

He said that he and a friend had scratched out the statement about "feminist principles" on the camp pamphlet.

A woman looked at him in shock, and said she didn't believe anyone could do that; the reproof hung in the air that women's rights had been set back 30 years at the camp. She got up and left the circle. I later heard that she left the camp that very day.

Since the 1960s, environmentalism has been jealously guarded by males, causing women to revolt from the movement in the early 70s. The rift still hasn't healed; men are not willing to share the reins of power. However, these things I did not say. I was tired from the hours of listening to men who would not dream of listening in return; so I went quietly to my tent.

Outrageously, shortly after we left the camp the *Vancouver Sun* printed "Eco-feminists run `Peace Camp' at Clayoquot Sound." (Aug. 19, page B1.) This just goes to show how completely out of touch with reality the mainstream press is. It is true that some of the key organizers are feminists, but the peace camp has really taken on a life of its own, where women are silenced and demeaned.

However, in keeping with its bias of upholding the status quo, the *Sun* chose to make feminists look overbearing and uptight. For example, the sarcastic statement: "But even in the enlightened Peace Camp there is political incorrectness."

Enlightened? Only if you were raised in the Victorian era.

And the political incorrectness the *Sun* referred to was sexual harassment, not merely a coy transgression against an eco-feminist dictatorship. The article also says the camp has "no tolerance for Paul Watson-type macho environmentalism." I would have welcomed the blast-em-up style of Watson, as opposed to the many put-em-down misogynist environmentalists at the Peace Camp.

We got a ride from the camp to Nanaimo with Tom, a retired man from Toronto, David, a Harley biker/hand logger from Squamish, and David's daughter. They had come to be on the blockade, but hadn't gone to the main camp. They chose to stay distant, as the Peace Camp protesters clearly did not want "others" in their midst.

There was a sign on one of the camp convoy vans reading something like "If you look around you and there aren't enough people like you, maybe it's time you joined us." I suppose it was a message to the "outside" world, but when viewed in the context of the camp it was quite disturbing.

*No picture of a clearcut can prepare you for the sight of such immense devastation. Go out and look! It'll make you mad, or make you want to cry, or both.*

Anyway, it was nice to have a reality check after the Peace Camp, and remember the diversity of people who support saving the Clayoquot, and sensible logging practices in general.

David told me there was good money to be had in hand logging --certainly enough to support a family -- but not the kind of money corporations like MacMillan Bloedel are looking for. David told me it was their greed that is ruining the forests.

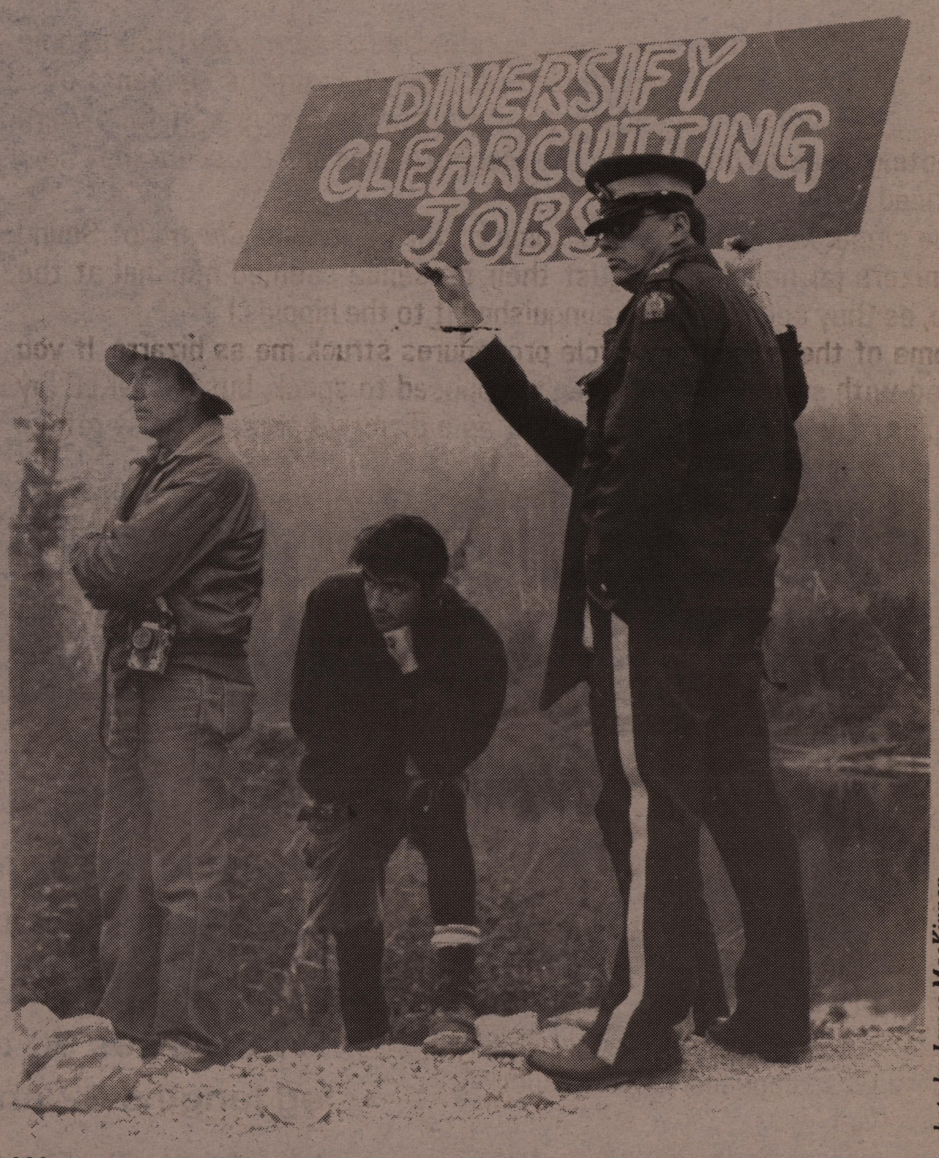
He said his years on a woodlot outside McBride - in the Rockies - were idyllic. "Fresh air, delicious potatoes you could pick right out of the ground, and eggs straight out of the chicken's ass. What more could you want?"

Clearcutting does not promote such a lifestyle, cuz who wants to raise chickens in a clearcut?

Camping in the Black Hole, the vast clearcut appropriately chosen as the site of the Peace Camp, was unpleasant enough. It was truly devoid of life. No birds chirped and I didn't see any Bambis. Just stumps from hill to hill to hill . . .

Driving away, every other hill was a clearcut. We could see the soil eroded to rock on the steep slopes. Trees won't quickly return when there's no dirt. Maybe in a thousand years, when the lichens have eaten away the rock and made new dirt, but not in our life times.

**RCMP and legal protesters at the Kennedy River bridge.**

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We saw mud slides, where logging roads had been built on terrain that was too steep. We saw washouts and blown down trees, and barren streams. Apparently, the hills around Ucluelet have been replanted five times - five times because the trees didn't take hold. The trees that are replaced are often a thousand years old; so logic says it'll be another thousand years until the forest returns.

It's things like this that break my heart. No picture of a clearcut can prepare you for the sight of such immense devastation. Go out and look! It'll make you mad, or make you want to cry, or both.

When will the clearcutting end on public land (land ostensibly owned by you and me) and on unceded, un-treatied, Native land? When will the government listen?

These are the reasons I went to the Clayoquot blockade. However; those of us in urban areas have the opportunity to bring pressure to bear on the government, where it belongs. Write more letters, go to urban protests, put up posters. Harcourt is nervous. Make him acknowledge the power of the electorate: you. It's the people that put him there, and it's the people that must prevail.✿

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# Wings, horses march through *New Works*

**by Rich Janecky**

So powerful were the paintings that a young child came storming out of the gallery immersed in tears as she clasped her father's hand in search of security.

The paintings in Charles Malinsky's latest exhibit, *Charles Malinsky - New Works,* call on its audience to question its morality, as physical dominance and human degradation are major themes.

Charles Malinsky's *Fury, Heavenly Fury*

In nearly all the black and white works, women are found on the upper half of the canvas standing on elevated platforms, or riding wild beasts, or riding contraptions supported by slaves.

The women characters have plush, delicate white wings attached to the centre of their backs giving them an angel-like presence. Their faces show either anger or indifference, or lack of concern for their downtrodden prisoners.

"The dominant theme is men shouldering the burden of society," said Malinsky. Malinsky added his paintings show that men in the past have "raped society and their environment."

There are paintings which do not conform to this formula. "With the Two Shields of Bitterness and Hope, I Rose Up Carefully," depicts a male character with wings, similar to those of the women. He stands over his pathetic male victim.

J.C. Gibson, one of Malinsky's models, said the gender switch "is a way for Malinsky to provide balance to the presentation."

Malinsky said he believes in everything as an influence, from sounds, to smell, to touch. Texture is an important element, as the paintings are detailed with ridges and contours on the canvas.

Another common element is the similarity in the physical proportions of the male and female characters. Gibson admitted that she, Charles Malinsky's wife, and Malinsky, were the exclusive models for the exhibit.

"This is why the characters are of similar physique from one painting to the next," she said.

"The dominant theme is men shouldering the burden of society."

One can sense how complicated the task must have been to paint "A Singing of Breath and Steel," and other paintings with a gathering of characters.

The effort that goes into these works is outstanding, as Malinsky sets up massive scaffolding, canvasses and structures, so he can recreate them on his own canvas.

Many of the paintings are a testament or witness to a symbolic or meaningful event. In "Little Cold Horse, What a Scent of a Flower of a Knife," a woman rides a heavy-set horse led by a blindfolded angel, as other women march behind her.

"The painting symbolizes the wedding ceremony and the blindfolded woman represents the uncertainty of marriage and the questioning of religion itself," said Gibson.

*Charles Malinsky - New Works* runs until Oct. 3 at Fran Willis Gallery, 200-1619 Store St. Gallery Hours are Tues-Sat. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.❑

# *Beat the Sunset* speaks to all

**by Adrienne Mercer**

Sometimes words don't come out right, no matter how hard we try. Sometimes we can't find words at all.

Victoria playwright Michael MacLennan has created a story that speaks to everyone.

*Beat the Sunset* is a play about AIDS. It is also about communication and the barriers to it we build out of anger and fear.

The play centers on Adam (Phil Black), a man in his late twenties who is living with AIDS.

In addition to his illness, Adam is also coping with the fears and misconceptions of his mother, Iris (Judith McDowell), and the guilt and denial of his old friend, Sacha (Kristian Martin).

**"The heart, they say, is about the size of a fist."**

These three characters are bound together by Memory (Kira Bradley), a Chorus-like omnipresent figure who guides them on an emotionally jarring journey through past and present.

Memory is passionate and enduring. "You dressed me in black!" she cries to Adam, forcing him to look at her.

Once Adam, Iris and Sacha come to terms with Memory's presence, they are able to confront their fears and move forward.

The remarkable thing about this play is the completeness of its characters. They are presented on a multitude of levels, allowing the audience to get to know each one on a personal and emotional level.

Each character is portrayed as an individual who is both well-meaning and flawed. Because of this, it is difficult to judge them.

If Adam's behavior seems cruel or dismissive, the fear behind the action informs our perception.

Similarly, Iris' detached relationship with her son is hurtful, yet it is just as painful to watch her struggle with her misconceptions about homosexuality.

Watching a performance of *Beat the Sunset* is an overwhelming experience. The characters express themselves so openly while alone, yet they fiercely guard their feelings from each other.

The walls they build are sadly familiar.

Many lines in this play cause intense reaction from the audience. The play's dialogue, body language, and stifled emotion are easy to relate to one's own experience.

At one point, Iris tells Adam about a woman she confronted in a restaurant. The woman had just trumpeted her view that people with AIDS deserve to die.

It was a personal triumph to hear Iris berate the woman in turn. It was also a moment of shared strength.

As somebody who has been assaulted with the same remark, I sympathized with Iris' position and cheered at her reaction.

*Beat the Sunset* is an intense and climactic experience. It is emotional without being sentimental, and educational without being didactic.

The actors embody their characters fully.

Sound by Monica Schraefel, lighting by Annie Weeks, and set by David Owen Lucas are create a world which is sometimes warm, sometimes harsh, and always intense.

The sound of a heartbeat echoes throughout the performance, making me think of Memory's words - "The heart, they say, is about the size of a fist."

*Beat the Sunset* premiered at the Victoria Fringe Festival. It will show next as part of the Duncan Festival.

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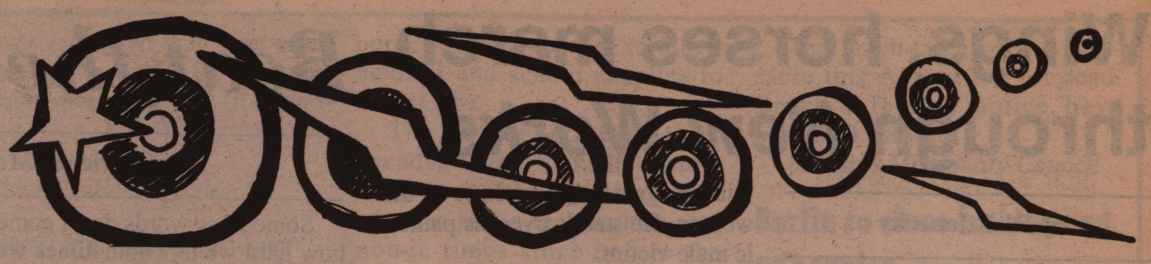

# CD Controversy

**by Brick Blair**

There is a battle shaping up in Canada's music industry, and if recent American developments are any indication, it might get messy.

Major record companies in the US are taking action against retailers who decide to sell used compact discs.

"It's a classic case of the big corporations attempting to consolidate their power" said Rick Andrews, co-owner of Funhouse Records on Yates Street.

This summer Wherehouse Records, a large American retail chain, expanded its used CD program to include 250 of its 315 outlets.

In another well-publicized incident, country music superstar Garth Brooks stated that he would not allow his product to be sold in stores which also sell used CD's.

The major record distribution companies - such as MCA Music's UNI, Thorn-EMI's CEMA, and Sony Music - do not want the reselling of "their" CDs.

They fear the lower price could adversely affect the amount consumers are willing to pay for new products. They also fear a lowering of overall sales, as they do not make any money when a used CD is purchased.

Don Gunter, Sony Music branch manager, said he doesn't feel that Sony's position in Canada is currently threatened by used CD sales. He said that the new CD market is still growing phenomenally and "has a long way to go."

None of the major chains in Canada are selling used CDs, and companies like Sony Music do not deal directly with smaller independent music retailers who do. Consequently, Gunter said there's been no need for actions similar to those taken by their American affiliates.

The independent retailers who sell used CDs see things differently. Used CDs are their lifeblood in a market where mark-ups on new product are low, and high volume national chains hold the pricing edge.

Selling used CDs allows them to offer lower prices and a more varied selection for their customers, as well as increased "per unit" profits.

Consumers stand to benefit the most from used CD sales. In theory, a used CD will play as well as a new one, so a price discount translates into major savings for a near-equal quality product.

Makyta Simms, manager of Lyle's Place in Victoria, said that the pricing of new CDs is a complex process.

Used CDs retail at roughly half the price of a new disc, though this price varies directly with the condition of the disk, its rarity, and its initial purchase price.

Simms cited ICE-T's *Body Count* album, where "the sky's the limit" in its pricing due to the lack of available copies.

Another advantage to the consumer buying used recordings is the absence of GST. Like most used products, the government does not collect on the sale of used CDs.

But the consumer's interest is not the concern of the industry.

"It's not fair to the artists [who] are not collecting royalties on the second and third sale of their art" said Gunter. He believes artists should receive royalties when their recordings are resold.

Simms sees things differently. She said the purchase of a new CD is a significant investment by the consumer, so once they have purchased the product, it should be theirs to do with what they want.

"If the purchaser doesn't like the album they bought and wants to recover some of their investment, they should be free to do so without the penalty of paying a royalty to the artist," said Simms.

Andrews agreed. "The best example I've read is that of buying a used car. Everytime a Ford car changes hands, Ford does not collect a royalty of any kind."

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Eric Breker as King Lear and John Cope as the Fool star in Theater Inconnu's production of *King Lear*

# *King Lear* strikes emotions

**by Stacey Shelby**

*King Lear* is about the King's journey into himself, going insane before he finds his inner humanity.

The play is an example of the misogyny so typical in Shakespearean plays, but with it we glimpse the male insecurities that lead to a hatred of women, as when Lear denies himself tears.

"Touch me with noble anger, and let not women's weapons water drops stain my man's cheeks..." Lear (Eric Breker) wails out.

"I will have such revenges that all the world shall-what they are yet I know not, but they shall be the terrors of the earth. Do you think I'll weep," he wipes the tears from his eyes.

"No, I'll not weep. I have full cause of weeping but this heart shall break into a hundred thousand flaws or er I'll weep. Oh, Fool I shall go mad." In a frenzy, Lear whirls, exiting behind the black curtain.

The words may slip past most listeners in the cramped quarters of Theatre Inconnu, but the intensity of his emotion left knots in many a belly. Backstage, one of the cast members warmly embraced Breker.

"Every night at the same time, in the same place in the play, Eric gets the same hug from one of us," said activist Bobby Arbess, who plays Edgar.

"It does shake you up. We have to support each other."

You don't have to have studied Shakespeare to follow this performance - the emotions stir you from the inside out.

Lear clenches his hand into a white ball and you know that rage is building in the theatre - or Edmund (Christopher Cairns) gives the audience a smirk and you feel deception.

"It's a contemporary approach to a classic text," said Leon Potter, who plays the Earl of Kent. "We try to portray it in a fashion that everyone can relate to.

"Classics aren't boring ... it's how you present them."

*King Lear* shows a society in change. The King is the falling representative of the hierarchical order of those times - the two daughters, Regan and Goneril, are the new social order coming in.

"This play has just as much meaning on a historical level as a metaphorical level," said Arbess.

"There are no real bad guys in this show," added Potter. "Every character thinks they are doing the right thing."

This show can be applied and felt on a personal level as well as on a contemporary social level. This Clayton Jevne directed production should not be missed.

*King Lear* runs until Sept. 13 at Theatre Inconnu, with a special Clayoquot Sound benefit show on the final day. Shows begin at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $7 for students, seniors and unwaged, and $9 for adults.

Proceeds from the Sept. 13 show will go to benefit the UVic Temperate Rainforest Action Group (TRAG).❑

# Queer content wins over crowd at Fringe

**by Theresa Newhouse**

You had to look carefully to find more than straight drama at this year's Fringe Festival.

There were only a handful of productions with gay or lesbian content though these were some of the best the Fringe had to offer.

Topping the list was the local hit, *Beat the Sunset*. This provocative drama focussed on relationships in the AIDS era. Its gay content would have been challenging to even the mildest of homophobes. The play became the run-away success of the Fringe, and if you got a chance to see it, you'll know why.

*Beat the Sunset* deals with serious issues contrasting with a lighter element. The characters were amazingly complex and the script both humorous and sad.

Another play with great reviews was *Lifting Belly*, the abstract enactment of lesbians coming out to themselves and each other.

The play takes its name from a poem by lesbian poet Gertrude Stein of the same name.

Its script combined dance, drama, comedy and abstract theatre.

Though sometimes too abstract, it had beautiful moments. Most notable were Constance Cooke's short interwoven dance interludes that had both vitality and depth.

Naomi Cooke, who appeared in last year's *Shoot the Women First*, and Abigail Kitt provided powerful facial expressions and voice.

The final love scene during which Kitt and Cooke begin to wash each other had a tenderness which makes it one of the most beautiful lesbian love scenes I've ever seen.

*Auto Erotic Misadventure*, by the local group Nicolodeon Players was a third production with un-closeted gay content.

The plot revolves around two gay men rooming together and their new straight roommate.

The script had some wonderfully funny lines and took the refreshing viewpoint that queerness is more than angst and sorrow.

Brendon and Cliff's sexual orientation was not the issue, human relationships were.

Although the acting was stiff, emotions were still conveyed and the production overall was very enjoyable.

A final local production with gay content was Suddenly Dance Theatre's *Opium* and *other addictions*.

Though the plot gives no visible hints, the choreography contained some very homoerotic dance.

The story follows French poet Jean Cocteau's battle with opium addiction.

The opening dance portrayal of control and addiction is brilliant, as the shadow - danced by Dean Busher - wraps himself body and spirit around the author.

It was refreshing to see two men dance like this and proved what a non-homophobic approach to dance can bring out.

The middle had too many props distracting the audience from the striking dance.

As well, the questionable linkage of control and evil, as a sphinx, with women and female sexuality, marred the performance.

Over all, it was an emotionally powerful performance by one of Victoria's most innovative dance companies.❑

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# Andy rambles way across Canada

by Dave Clements

It was time for a vacation.

As the last days of June dwindled away, street musician Andrew O'Rourke, also known as Ramblin' Andy, headed back to the Toronto hotel he called home.

As he entered the former jazz mecca known as the Rex Hotel, a bewildered Andy confronted a heavily armed police officer in the hallway.

"There he was, we're talking full metal jacket," said O'Rourke. "I thought gosh, it's time for a holiday."

Luckily, the officer was not there for Andy, but for an armed robbery suspect, - one of the hotel's other illustrious guests.

Thus, the idea for the "Ramblin' Andy Cross-Canada Busking Tour 1993" was conceived "in the tradition of Boxcar Willie and Stompin' Tom."

It began with a swim in the Atlantic ocean, by the light of the full moon, and ended in Victoria with a dip in the Pacific.

The idea of the balladeer living off the land is romantic, but the reality is sobering.

"I needed to get away, but I was impoverished, so it was the only avenue I could take, the only way I could afford it was to sing my way."

"Unfortunately, I was misinformed, and I was a month early."

So O'Rourke grabbed his guitar, strapped two miniature Marshall amps to his belt, and made his way to Halifax where the Busker Festival was set to begin the first week of July.

"Unfortunately, I was misinformed, and I was a month early," said O'Rourke. "The press loved it, so at least I got some publicity - everybody knew about the guy that came a month early for the festival."

Undaunted, O'Rourke completed his chilly Atlantic dip, interrupted by several police officers, who shined a spotlight on him, "naked just as I was born" and forced him out of the ocean. That was the inspiration for his composition "Incident at Pt. Pleasant Park."

The next leg of the tour saw him camping in Cape Breton, where he found someone to share gas to Montreal. This was not a pleasant drive, as his compatriot refused to stop for coffee, Ramblin' Andy's lifeblood.

After passing a time in one of the nation's industrial capitals, a philosophical O'Rourke mused:

"Sudbury Monday morning ain't like Sudbury Saturday night. The bingo hall lies locked up in the early morning light."

photo by Dave Clements

The lowest point of the trip was in Calgary, when all his possessions were stolen in the youth hostel. "I lost my clothes, my painkillers, and over a hundred songs", said O'Rourke.

"Eight years of conservative government and industry has saddened this country."

A brief time travelling with Calgary busker and bicycle mechanic Jack D. Zaster and the saxophone-playing bunny soothed the pain.

O'Rourke crossed the great divide of the Rockies on the second full moon of the trip, sold his cowboy hat in Kamloops for a bus ticket to Victoria, and made his Pacific skinny dip on the third full moon, on August 1st.

He said his latest trip has brought him many revelations about this rock we call Canada. "It's not as happy a place as it was."

Pushed for an explanation, he laid blame on our leaders:

"Eight years of Conservative government and industry has saddened this country. The Conservative agenda is to keep unemployment high and keep workers down, keep them scared for their jobs."

The road ahead looks bumpy for the musician whose greatest satisfaction is "performing a successful song for any size of audience." He hopes to "sell some records and make enough to buy a truck to live in."

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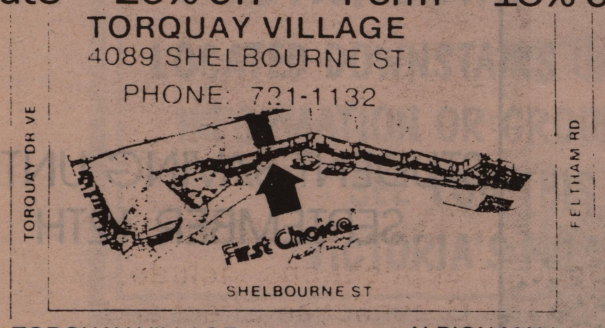


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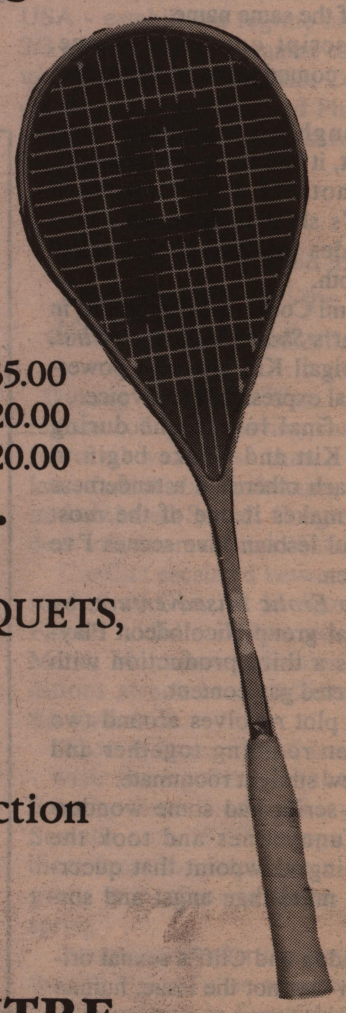

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Frosh crew meeting: Thurs. Sept. 9, 5-6pm, room 151 McKinnon
Varsity, JV, and Frosh: Row and work party Sat. Sept. 11, 8am, at Elk Lake.
Formal Training begins Mon. Sept. 13 for varsity, JV, and frosh crews. Details at the row and work party.
Novice orientation meeting: Thurs. Sept 16 or Fri. Sept. 17, 6:30-7:30pm Room 151 McKinnon.
(You only need to attend one of the meetings!)

**WOMENS FIELD HOCKEY**
Try outs: Thurs. Sept. 9 at 4:30pm. Come to the turf adjacent to McKinnon.

**WOMENS BASKETBALL**
Varsity try outs: Mon. Sept. 13, unoffical scrimmages begin at 6:30pm. Continue all week.
Wed. Sept. 15, first team run, 5:45pm
Official try out begins on September 20 at 6:30pm.

Club or JV Team: Practices will not start until after varsity team has been selected. Tentative start date will be Sun. Sept. 26.

**WOMENS VOLLEYBALL**
First practice: Mon. Sept. 13, 4:30-6:30pm at the McKinnon 2/3 gym.

**WOMENS X-COUNTRY**
First practice: Mon. Sept. 13, 3:30pm at the warm-up track.

**WOMENS AND MENS SWIMMING**
First practice: Mon. Sept. 13, 5:30-7:30pm McKinnon Pool.

**MENS RUGBY**
First practice: Thurs. Sept. 9, 4:30pm at Wallace Field (across from Gordon Head complex)

**MENS BASKETBALL**
First practice: Tues. Sept. 14, 4:30pm at McKinnon 2/3 gym.

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*By Lizz Hanan, Owner of Discovery Optical Ltd.*

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# Women win gold

**By Michael Butterfield**

UVic consistently produces some of the best female rowers in the country-and 1993 is no exception.

This year UVic women have proven that they are Canada's best by winning 10 gold medals at the Canadian National Championships and at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta.

The womens' eight stretched their lead to over two boat lengths to take top honors at the National Championships at the end of July.

They then racked up gold medals in the 500 metre sprint and the straight four competitions.

A silver medal was later earned in the hard fought pairs competition.

Real gold was struck in the beginning of August at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta.

UVic claimed first place in both the intermediate and senior straight four categories, the coxed four, the pair, and the 500 metre dash.

Gold was narrowly missed in the eights final where UVic was beaten by the University of Western Ontario crew.

Anna Vanderkamp, winner of six medals in only her second year of rowing, said "we surprised ourselves . . . we worked very hard, but we did it as a team".

Coach Gord Redlin echoed Anna's sentiments and added "I was really proud of how they conducted themselves and how they represented the University.

"Western only just beat us despite having three Barcelona Gold medalists on their crew.

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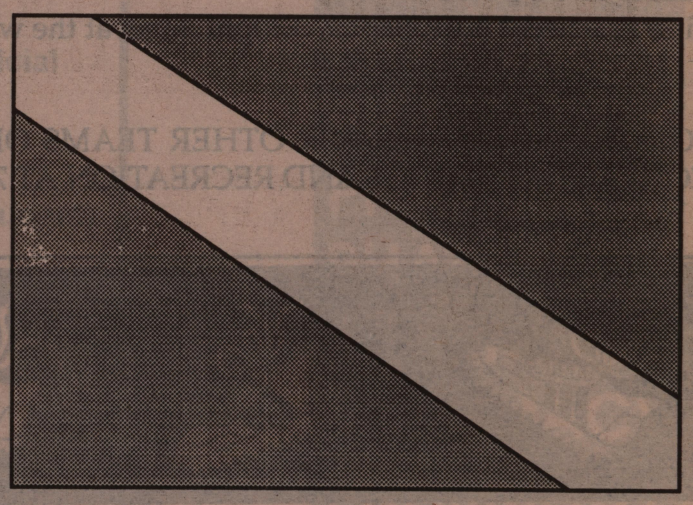

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# Speedy takes over womens' basketball team

by T. Nishimura

The UVic team that made headlines for the past two years, will be headed by a new coach in the 93-94 season.

As former Vikes womens basketball head coach, Kathy Shields, leaves to coach the national team, Coach Jeff Speedy is taking over.

While the first season is always a challenge to a new head coach, Speedy has been a part of the Vike's success of the last two seasons as the Vike's assistant coach.

His former position may prove to be an asset, since he already feels "close to a lot of players."

Speedy promised to be "vocal, enthusiastic and encouraging" in his coaching style.

**The first season is always a challenge...**

But, like Shields, he places the credit for previous success on the team, which he describes as "unselfish" and " great players...12 people who enjoyed each other."

Part of Speedy's challenge will be to follow the Vikes astounding previous two seasons.

They were undefeated in CIAU league play, the 1992 National champions, and made a heartbreaking, close second in last season's National finals.

"To be realistic, going 20-0 is not our goal," said Speedy. "Our goal is to finish first in the league."

Although the bulk of last season's squad remains, two players were lost to graduation.

"The two people lost were definitely the best players and the players left didn't have a lot of playing time" said Speedy.

Speedy said the fall will be a time for himself and the team to adjust to his new role, but he remains optimistic. By mid-season "we'll be flying and everything will come together," he said.

The Vikes will have one new recruit for this season: the much sought after Cindy Mavety, a forward who played on the Canada Games team.

Speedy also pointed out Vikes veterans, Chris Van Aert and Sue Tomio, as two players the Vikes will be counting on this fall.

Van Aert, a starting point guard, was an allstar at both the Canada West and CIAU National tournaments. Speedy will be looking for leadership from her.

Tomio is the Vikes only fifth year player. Her scoring and rebounding has improved. Speedy commented that Tomio " is the hardest worker, a very good player and already a team leader."

The Vikes first test will come in the Alumni game on October 16 and in the demonstration games against Fraser Valley and SFU, the following weekend.❑

# Men shine at regatta

by Michael Butterfield

While most UVic teams took the summer off from competition, the UVic mens' rowing squad quietly became the top crew in the country.

The highest honors went to UVic at both the Canadian National Championships and the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta.

The mens' crew left these events with more than nine medals-including four gold.

The most stunning upset at the Canadian Championships was the defeat of the B.C. Canada Games elite squad. They fell victim to the UVic powerhouse eight who beat them by over a boat length in the 2000 meter race.

This crew went on to defeat all other competitors in the 500 metre sprints.

After earning another gold in the pairs competition, UVic rowers moved on to win a silver medal in the coxed four and a bronze medal in the straight four.

One week later at the Henley Regatta in St. Catherines pitted the UVic crew against some of the best athletes in the world.

UVic rowers met the challenge of international competition by winning gold in the men's eight.

**UVic rowers met the challenge.**

UVic coach Steve Frish, who was assisted by Howie Campbell, said it was "an especially difficult race because the silver medal crew had a home team advantage and six of their guy were members of the Canadian National Team.

"We won because our athletes have trained consistently throughout the year and have the added experience of having competed in the World University Games earlier this year...I knew that they would do well, but no one could have foreseen an achievement of this calibre."

UVic men then earned a silver medal in the straight four and a silver in the pairs competition. At the close of the regatta, UVic was awarded the prestigious Efficiency Trophy.

Marilyn Campbell, former Olympic medalist and one of the managers of the 1992 Olympic gold medal team, said "This performance shows why UVic continues to be so important to the development of the Canadian National program"❑

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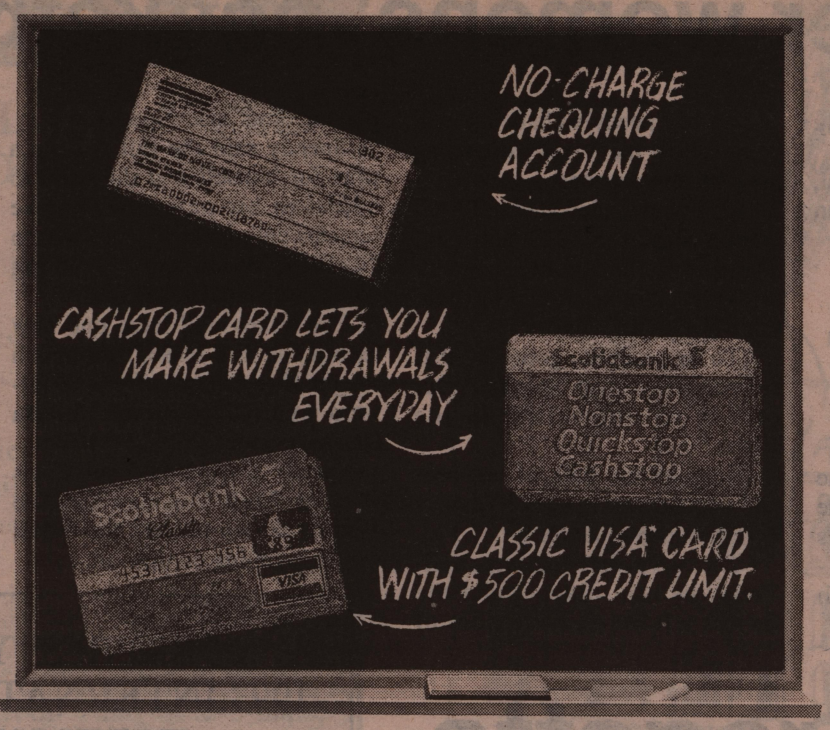


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## RECEPTION

International Students' Reception, today at 5pm in the Green Room. All students welcome.

## THEATER

Theater Inconnu presents *King Lear* at 7:30 pm. Tickets $9.00 reg/$7.00 seniors, students, unwaged. Reservations: 380 1284.

## VIDEO

GVPL and Project Literacy Victoria are co-sponsoring two videos: *Understanding the Personal Side of Illiteracy* and *Ellen's Story* at 7:30 pm in the Central Library Multipurpose Room, 735 Broughton St.. Admission is free.

## AUDITION

The Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra will be holding auditions for young people from junior secondary to university age for positions in all sections of the orchestra. To make an appointment or for more info call 360 1121.

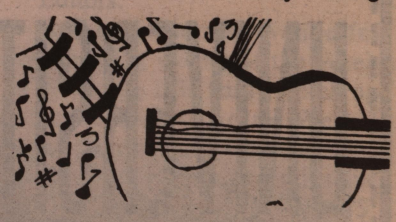
# FRIDAY, 10

## THEATER

*King Lear.* See Thursday's listing for info.

## AUDITION

For the Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra. See Thursday's listing.



# SATURDAY, 11

## OPEN HOUSE

Try Taoist Tai Chi at an open house, 1 - 3pm at the *Times-Colonist* Building. For info call 382- 5129.

## GARAGE SALE

Gigantic sale sponsored by the VanIsle Chapter of Muscular Dystrophy Association. 10am to 3pm at Pearkes Centre, 3970 Haro Rd. No early birds please.

## LECTURE

Amazon - Magic and Healing with Dr. Jose Cabanillas, from Iquitos, Peru. 7:30 to 9:30 pm at the Bedford Hotel, 1140 Government St. in the Brittingham Room. Admission $15. Info contact Arnie Lade at 383-1858. Please pre-register.

## CHILD FIND

National Child Find Program will be held in the Mayfair Shopping Centre from 10am to 4pm. Children between the ages of 3 months and 14 years will be finger printed and parents will be given an I.D. booklet with instructions on how to update it.

# BILLBOARDS

## SUNDAY, 12

### OPEN HOUSE

Try Taoist Tai Chi at the open house from 2 to 4pm in Colwood beside the Community Hall. Info call 382-5129.

### LECTURE

Amazon - Magic and Healing with Dr. Jose Cabanillas. This is a day-long program from 10am to 4pm at the Bedford Hotel, 1140 Government St. in the Brittingham Room. Admission is $40. Please pre-register. Info phone Arnie Lade at 383-1858.

## MONDAY, 13

### OPEN HOUSE

Taoist Tai Chi from 7 to 8:30 pm at two locations: Sooke Elementary School and Sidney Elementary. Info 382 5129.

## TUESDAY, 14

### OPEN HOUSE

The VanIsle Scottish Country Dance Society invites you to come and enjoy this very sociable dancing, 7:30pm at McKenzie School, 4005 Raymond St. North. Call Mike Hanna 479-4901 or Pat McRae 727-6776 for info.

### WORKSHOP

POVERTY: THE CORPORATE AGENDA a lecture by Pat Chauncey of End Legislated Poverty will be held at 7:30pm at the Unitarian Church, 106 Superior St.

## THURSDAY, 16

### BIKE I.D.

Crime prevention info presented and free bicycle engraving. Door prizes, videos, displays and more. Outside the UVic Centre, 11am to 1pm.

### TOUR

GVPL invites you to tour the Central Library and learn about its collections and online catalogue, from 7:30pm and will commence in the Multipurpose Room. (735 Broughton St.) All are invited, but pre-registration is requested at 382-7241.

### LECTURE

HAWKS IN MOTION. Join David Allinson for a program on Victoria's annual hawk migration spectacle at Swan Lake House, 3873 Swan Lake Rd. Call Ann Scarfe at 479-0211 for pre-registration. There will be a field trip to East Sooke Park on Sept. 19. Cost: $6.

### Future

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT, Friday Sept. 17. The annual demonstration by women in Victoria. Call SWAG at 381-1012 for details.

DROP-IN MEETING for men during the Take Back the Night demonstration. 7:30pm on Sept. 17 at 407-621 View St. Or call Jordie at 384-7195.

VOLUNTEER FAIR 9am to 4pm Sept. 21 and Sept. 22 in the UVic Centre. 25 agencies will be on hand to answer questions about volunteer opportunities.

CAREER FORUM on overseas employment, Sept. 29, 7pm in Clearihue C112. For info and pre-registration call 721 8421.

DAY CARE opening in September operated by St. Aidan's United Church near Richmond and Cedar Hill X. Pre-register at 477-2089 or 658-2402.

### PEACE WALK

Tuesday. Sept 21. In honor of the UN International Day of Peace. Meet at the pavilion on top of Beacon Hill for silent meditation. 6:30am to 7:45am. If you have a flag of your country of origin, please bring it. Info: 592-6211.

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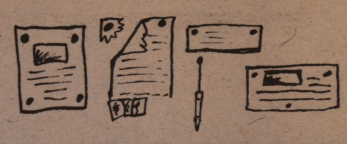
The UVic Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance will be holding drop-ins this year every Tuesday and Thursday starting Sept 14 from 11:30 - 2:30 in SUB 137A. Come in and meet new people, check out our periodicals, and find out about our upcoming events.

Have you gone down lately? If not . . . come join the UVIC SCUBA CLUB watch for the SCUBA CLUB booth on Clubs, September 14 - 15. To sign up early please call: Chris Best @ 595-8801 or Rob Walker @ 598-4758.

SUBMIT TO THE CLUBS CALENDAR. Tell us when your club meets, time, and place and we'll advertise for you. Deadline is Monday at noon. Please try and keep it less than 50 words or we'll have to edit.

### CLUBS CALENDAR



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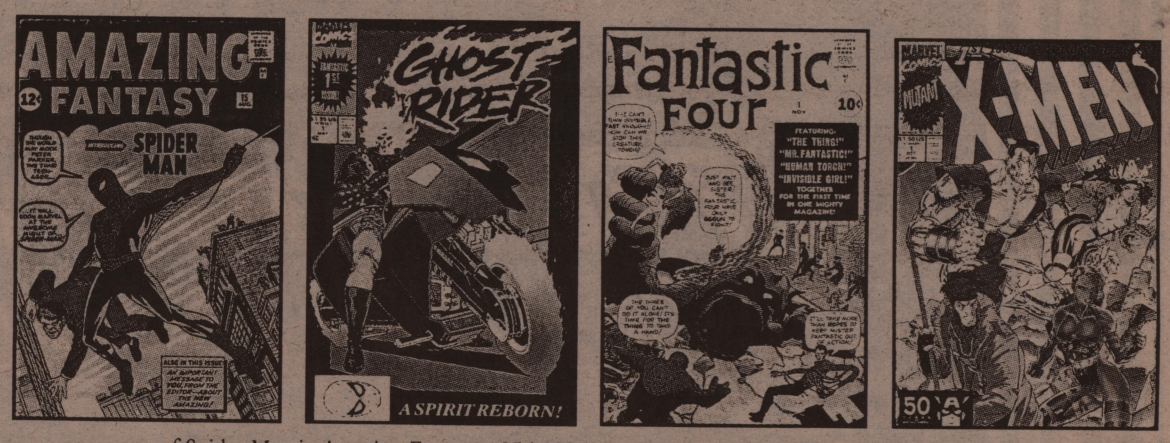


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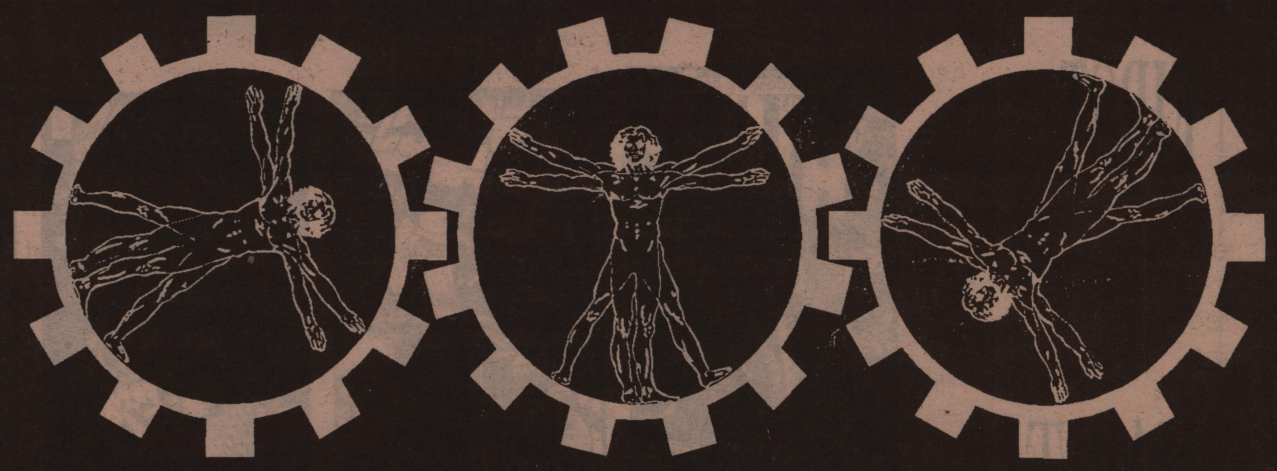

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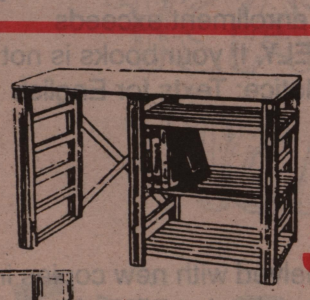

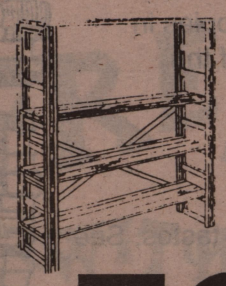

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